

PATENT

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

NOV 18 2004

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to  
the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

Richard S. MacMillan  
(signature)

Richard S. MacMillan  
(name of person signing certificate)

Date: November 18, 2004

No. of Pages: 6

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
NIKOLAUS MARTIN ERLMANN ) Group Art Unit 3679  
Serial No. 10/642,457 )  
Filed: August 15, 2003 ) Examiner Kenneth L. Thompson  
For: FLANGE YOKE ) Attorney Docket 1-2461.5

Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Honorable Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as indicated on the following  
pages.